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SUBJECT: NEPALI GOVERNMENT DECLARES MAOISTS TERRORISTS

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As expected (Reftel), on August 28 the Government of Nepal (GON) declared the Maoists and organizations affiliated with them terrorists. The announcement was issued at 1800 local time. The GON had lifted the terrorist designation shortly after a ceasefire was announced on January 29.
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